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### **FY 2018 Budget Work Session**

May 9, 2017 C. Vernon Gray Room 8:30 a.m.

# **Minutes (Approved)**

The Chairperson opened the work session at 8:32 a.m.

Members Present: Jon Weinstein, Chairperson; Calvin Ball, Vice Chairperson; Mary Kay Sigaty; Jen Terrasa; Greg Fox

Staff Present: Jessica Feldmark, Council Administrator; Craig Glendenning, County Auditor; Gary Kuc, County Solicitor

#### Board of Elections

Guy Mickley provided an overview of the proposed budget and answered questions from the Council.

#### Office of Law

Gary Kuc provided an overview of the office's proposed budget and answered questions from the Council.

#### Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits

Bob Frances provided an overview of the office's proposed budget and answered questions from the Council. Bob Firmani and Norm Schnobrich joined them in answering questions.

#### Soil Conservation District

David Plummer provided an overview of the districts's proposed budget and answered questions from the Council. Greg Bruno joined him in answering questions from the Council.

## Department of Planning and Zoning

Val Lazdins provided an overview of the department's proposed budget and answered questions from the Council. Joy Levy joined him in answering questions from the Council.

Council Members requested the following additional information:

- 1. Report from field assessments of the County's Green Infrastructure Network
- 2. White paper on Oakland Mills written by Marsha McLaughlin
- 3. Status on Downtown Ellicott City Revitalization Plan and Historic District Guidelines report
- 4. RFP for Route One study
- 5. Add <u>councilmail@howardcountymd.gov</u> to email distribution list for all updates regarding the zoning regulations review

#### Department of Public Works

Michelle Dudeck provided an overview of the department's proposed budget and answered questions from the Council. Daryl Paunil, Mark DeLuca, Steve Gerwin, and Lindsay DeMarzo joined her in answering questions from the Council.

Council Members requested the following additional information:

- 1. Current map of Food Scrap collection and plan for expansion
- 2. Impact of the change in the Stormwater Fee on the fund.

#### Office of the County Executive

Lonnie Robbins provided an overview of the office's proposed budget and answered questions from the Council.

#### Department of County Administration

Lonnie Robbins provided an overview of the department's proposed budget and answered questions from the Council. Holly Sun, Brook Mamo, and Nancy Gray joined him in answering questions from the Council.

## Department of Finance

Stan Milesky provided an overview of the department's proposed budget and answered questions from the Council. Rafiu Ighile joined him in answering questions from the Council.

Council Members requested the following additional information:

- 1. Copy of analysis to indicate when the Savage TIF would be able to sustain Debt Service and not need special tax.
- 2. Details of the one time savings from debt refinancing.

## **Economic Development Authority**

Larry Twele provided an overview of the proposed budget and answered questions from the Council. Vernon Thompson and Wayne Young joined him in answering questions from the Council.

# Department of Housing and Community Development

Kelly Cimino provided an overview of the department's proposed budget and answered questions from the Council.

#### Non-Departmental

Brook Mamo and Rafiu Ighile provided an overview of non-departmental expenses and answered questions from the Council.

Council Members requested the following additional information:

1. Written copy of the additional detailed breakdowns provided verbally at the work session

#### Department of Recreation and Parks

John Byrd provided an overview of non-departmental expenses and answered questions from the Council. Norm Schnobrich, Bill Eckert, Mike Milani, and Nicola Morgal joined him in answering questions.

Council Members requested the following additional information:

- 1. Meet with Auditor to review the most recent contract negotiations with Kemper.
- 2. Information about partnered summer programs with Rec and Parks and the school system for students with disabilities, including review of budget needed to support staffing..

The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.